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Published at the Capital of the State, it will be enabled to furnish its readers with the latest intelligence of the actions of the higher courts and of the various departments of the State. It will also contain the latest telegraphic news of stirring events, and also of the New York, Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans markets.

In politics the Commonwealth will be conservative, occupying a middle and antagonistic ground in reference to the two extremes. The old parties broken up, and old issues virtually dead, the vital question at present is Union or disunion. The Commonwealth is for the Union, believing it to be the greatest safeguard for our rights, as well as our most effective auxiliary in our efforts to obtain redress for our wrongs. Its conductors do not regard disunion as a remedy for any of the wrongs of the South, but rather an aggravation. It will contend for the equality of the States in the Union, and for the absolute non-interference by Congress with the domestic affairs of the States and Territories.

We shall aim to make the Commonwealth an acceptable and appropriate fireside companion. It will contain selections from the choicest literature of the day, prose, poetry, &c.

The WEEKLY will be printed on extra double medium paper, in new and beautiful type.
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August 6, 1860.

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Orders from a distance for any of the above named Books or Blanks will be promptly attended to when accompanied by the Cash; and if desired to be forwarded by mail, the postage will be paid upon the condition that it be refunded by the person ordering the article to be sent by mail.

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HATS, CAPS, STRAW BOOTS
AND LADIES FURS,
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Oct. 24, 1860-watwly.

LAW NOTICE.

CLAY & MONROE.

WILL practice law in the United States, Circuit and District Courts held at Frankfort, and the Court of Appeals of Kentucky. Business confided to them will receive prompt attention.
Address Thos. B. Monroe, Secretary of State, Frankfort, or Clay & Monroe, office Short street, Lexington.

THOS. B. MONROE, JR.,
Has been engaged to attend to the unfinished professional business of the late Hon. Ben. Monroe. Communications addressed to him at Frankfort will receive prompt attention.
April 9, 1860-watwly.

LYSANDER HORD,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
FRANKFORT, KY.

PRACTICES Law in the Court of Appeals, Federal Court, and Franklin Circuit Court. Any business confided to him shall be faithfully and promptly attended to. His office is on St. Clair street, near the Branch Bank of Kentucky, where he may generally be found.
Frankfort, Jan. 12, 1860-tf.

CRADDOCK & CRADDOCK,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
FRANKFORT, KY.

OFFICE on St. Clair street, next door south of the Branch Bank of Kentucky. In all the Courts holden in the city of Frankfort, and in the Circuit Courts of the adjoining counties
Jan. 5, 1858-tf.

FINNELL & CHAMBERS,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

OFFICE—West Side Scott St. bet. Third & Fourth Street.
COVINGTON, KENTUCKY.
February 22, 1860-tf.

T. N. & D. W. LINDSEY,
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PRACTICES Law in all the Courts held in Frankfort, and the adjoining counties. Office on St. Clair street, four doors from the Bridge.
Jan. 3, 1859-tf.

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FRANKFORT, KY.

PRACTICES in the Courts held in Frankfort, and in Gallatin, Henry, Trimble and Owen counties. Office on St. Clair street, near the Court House.
[Oct. 28, 1853.]

J. H. KINKADE,
ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
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PRACTICES in the Circuit and other Courts of Davies, and the Circuit Courts of the adjoining counties.
Office up stairs in the Gallatin Sun Office.
May 6, 1857-tf.

MEDICAL CARD.

DR. J. G. KEENON,
HAVING permanently located in Frankfort, tenders his professional services to the citizens of the town and vicinity.
Office on Main street, in Mansion House, 2nd door from corner. (Aug. 29, 1860-tf.)

ROBT. J. BIRKENRIDGE,
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May 23, 1859-tf.

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BY E. G. HAMBLETON, M. D.

Has by scientific knowledge, both of Surgery and Medicine, this being the only safe guide to uniform success. From this he is enabled to operate with far less pain to the patient void of danger. All work warranted the workmanship will show for itself. Calls will be thankfully received.
Office at his residence on Main street.
Frankfort, May 27, 1853.

JOHN P. MORTON & CO.,
(SUCCESSORS TO MORTON & GRISWOLD.)
Bookbinders, Stationers, Binders, and Book and Job Printers, Main Street, Louisville, Ky.

HAVE constantly on hand a complete assortment of Law, Medical, Theological, Classical, School, and Miscellaneous Books, at low prices. Paper of every description, quality, and price.
Colleges, Schools, and Private Libraries supplied at a small advance on cost. Wholesale or Retail.
(July 13, 1860-ly.)

H. SAMUEL,
CITY BARBER, FRANKFORT.

Rooms under Commonwealth Office.
If you want your Hair Trimmed, Face Shaved, or your Head Shampooed, go to
H. SAMUEL'S BARBER SHOP.
Feb. 8, 1860.

COVE MILL FOR SALE.
SITUATED 1 1/2 miles North of Frankfort, on the Overton turnpike road. For particulars apply to
R. C. STEELE.
August 8-tf

Telegraph Office Removed.

THE Telegraph Office in this city has been removed to the Freight Office of the Louisville, Frankfort, and Lexington Railroad depot. All persons having business with the office will please notice this change.
T. C. KYTE, Agent.

CIGARS AND TOBACCO.
WE HAVE ON HAND THE LARGEST and best assortment of CIGARS and TOBACCO ever brought to this city. A box of fine cigars makes a handsome Christmas or New Year's gift. Call and get them at [dec21] GRAY & TODD'S.

SIMPSON & SCOTT,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,
FRANKFORT, KY.

Office adjoining Yeoman Building—The same heretofore occupied by John L. Scott.
JUDGE JAMES SIMPSON and JOHN L. SCOTT will heretofore practice law in partnership in the Court of Appeals and Federal Court at Frankfort. Judge Simpson would respectfully refer to all persons who have known him, either at the Bar or as Circuit Judge in early life, or more recently as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Kentucky. John L. Scott would refer to the persons heretofore referred to by him in his published card.

All business in the Court of Appeals and Federal Court entrusted to this firm will receive faithful and prompt attention.
Mr. Scott resides in Frankfort, and may be found at all times at his office adjoining the Yeoman Building.
Jan 4-watwly.

SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

MRS. MARY WILLIS TODD has opened a school for boys, in the Mansion House, on Main street. Having had several years experience in teaching, she feels confident of giving satisfaction to all who may send her. She teaches Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, and Latin commenced.
Terms, per Session of Twenty Weeks, - \$15 mas8 twtf.

WINE, LIQUORS, &c.
OF EVERY VARIETY, vintage, name, and quality, for sale at
[dec21] GRAY & TODD'S.

JOHN W. VOORHIS,
Merchant Tailor,
SOUTH SIDE MAIN STREET,

Opposite Gray & Todd's Grocery Store, FRANKFORT, KY.

HAS just received his large and extensive stock of FALL AND WINTER GOODS,
Consisting of Cloths, Cassimeres, and Vestings, of the best quality, and of the latest styles and patterns. He also has on hand a large assortment of GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,
And everything necessary for furnishing a gentleman's entire wardrobe.
All work warranted to be as well done, and in as good style, as at any other establishment in the Western Co. No FRY NO SALE. [dec21] Frankfort, Oct. 5, 1860-tf.

HARDIN'S GALLERY OF ART,
Corner St. Clair and Main Streets,
(Entrance on St. Clair, opposite the Mansion House.)
Frankfort, Kentucky.

HAVING opened a Gallery, the undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Frankfort and vicinity, that he is prepared to take pictures in the best style. Having a superior Camera, he thinks he can please those who may favor him with their patronage.
AMBIOTYPES, MELANOTYPES, PHOTOGRAPHS, &c.,
of sizes and in cases to suit the tastes of all, taken in the highest style of the art, and on moderate terms.
He invites those who wish to get their likenesses taken, to call and see specimens of his work. Satisfaction will be given or no charge made.
W. H. H. HARDIN.
April 13, 1860-watwly.

THE PARTNERSHIP
WHICH has existed for many years past between the undersigned and C. G. GRAHAM, under the style of "C. G. GRAHAM," in the Livery Stable on Ans street, in Frankfort, and in other property, real and personal, having been dissolved by the death of Mr. Graham, I hereby give notice to all concerned, that as surviving partner I will close the unsettled business of said late firm. All persons indebted to it are requested to make immediate payment, so that I may be enabled to pay the outstanding debts against it.
Frankfort, dec 1-tf. THOS. S. PAGE.

FIRST OF THE SEASON!
Spring Styles Black and Colored Soft Hats
AT KEENON & GIBBONS.

FRENCH CORDEROY HATS—A style entirely new, very neat, light, and graceful.
[mar4] KEENON & GIBBONS.

CAUTION TO DEBTORS.
FROM information received since the death of my late partner, C. G. GRAHAM, I believe there are numerous outstanding debts due to the late firm, for which notes were given payable to "C. G. GRAHAM," (which was the style of the firm), but which have not come into my possession as surviving partner. I therefore warn all persons thus indebted not to make payment to any person other than myself or my authorized agent. If they do, they will act in their wrong, and may be compelled to pay again to the surviving partner, who alone is authorized to collect said debts.
Frankfort, Jan 2-watwly. THOS. S. PAGE.

Kentucky River Coal.
I HAVE just received a fresh supply of the BEST KENTUCKY RIVER COAL; also a large lot of CANNEL, Pittsburgh, Youghiogheny, and Pomery, which I will sell at the lowest market prices. All orders will be promptly filled for any point on the railroad or city, by applying to me by mail, or at my Coal Yard in Frankfort.
Feb 2 twtf. S. BLACK.

The Thoroughbred Young Horse,
JAPHET,
THE winner of seven first prizes in the rings for thoroughbred horses, at the Lexington, Louisville, Shelbyville, and Eminence Fairs—two of them being State Fairs—will be permitted to serve mares at \$15 the season, with the privilege of returning the next year a mare not proving to be in foal.

The blood of Japhet is of the most distinguished strain, uniting from his immediate ancestors the blood of Sir Archie, Medoe, Imported Bedford, Diomed, and Medley, and tracing through both sire and dam to the best blood of England, and having in a few lines of descent 17 distinct crosses of the celebrated Godolphin Arabian.
For particulars see bills and apply to the subscriber, six miles from Frankfort, on the Georgetown pike.
WILLIAM J. LEWIS.
mar15 wtfwJul

For Sale.
A Negro Woman, a New Carriage, and Jacks and Jennets.

I WISH to sell at private sale a valuable NEGRO WOMAN, about 35 or 39 years of age, sound and healthy; a fine NEW CARRIAGE, which was made in Salem, Ohio, and has never been used; FOUR JACKS, one 4 years old next spring, and the others younger; and FIFTEEN JENNETS, of different ages.
Good bargains will be given.
mar30 wtfwtf. L. W. MACEY.

CRANBERRIES
ONE barrel fresh Cranberries just received and for sale by [dec26] GRAY & TODD.

W. H. KEENE,
Wholesale and Retail Grocer and Dealer in all kinds of foreign and domestic Liquors.
Corner of St. Clair and Wapping Streets,
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY.

Old Bourbon Whisky.
A well selected stock of old and new Bourbon Whisky—none better.

Cigars.
Just received, a supply of those celebrated "Ugues" and "Compania."

Garden Seeds.
A full assortment of Pitkin, Ward & Co.'s celebrated Garden Seeds constantly on hand during the season.

Groceries.
Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Molasses, and everything in the grocery line of the best quality and at fair prices.

Flour and Meal.
The best brands of Flour and Meal constantly on hand.

Family Supplies.
I have everything in the line of Groceries, Provisions, Liquors, &c. Also, Agricultural Implements, Garden and Field Seeds, Tobacco and Cigars, &c., all of which are selected from the best assortments and with great care.
I only ask an examination of my stock to insure sales. My terms are as heretofore, preferring cash, but will sell to prompt customers payable 1st January, May, and September.
[mar4 wtfwtf] W. H. KEENE.

Proclamation by the Governor.
\$500 REWARD.
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
Executive Department.

WHEREAS, it is represented to me that THOS. E. JUDY, recognized to appear before the Police Judge of Mt. Sterling for examination on the charge of shooting, with intent to kill, Thomas Green; and whereas said Green did, subsequently to said recognizance, die, and Thomas E. Judy was delivered to the Sheriff of Henderson county, and is now going at large;
Now, therefore, I, BERNARD MAGOFFIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby offer a reward of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS for the apprehension of said Thos. E. Judy, and his delivery to the Jailor of Montgomery county within one year from the date hereof.

TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the Commonwealth to be affixed. Done at Frankfort, this 13th day of March, A. D. 1861, and in the 69th year of the Commonwealth.
B. MAGOFFIN,
Gov. B. MONROE, JR., Secretary of State.

DESCRIPTION.
The said Judy is 35 years old; six feet high, and well proportioned; of dark complexion; had whiskers when he left, and dressed neatly, though not costly, in trader style. mar25 wtfwtf.

Proclamation by the Governor.
\$500 REWARD.
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
Executive Department.

WHEREAS, it is represented to me that JIM BROWN, (a slave), who killed and murdered Dr. W. A. Norwood, of Henderson county, on the 1st inst., has fled from justice, and is now going at large;
Now, therefore, I, BERNARD MAGOFFIN, Governor of the Commonwealth, do hereby offer a reward of Two HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS for the apprehension of said Jim Brown, and his delivery to the Jailor of Henderson county, within one year from the date hereof.

TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the Commonwealth to be affixed. Done at Frankfort, this 12th day of April, A. D. 1861, and in the 69th year of the Commonwealth.

By the Governor: B. MAGOFFIN.
Tuo. B. MONROE, JR., Secretary of State.
By Jas. W. Tate, Assistant Secretary.

DESCRIPTION.
Jim Brown is 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, and weighs about 140 pounds; has a bushy head, and whiskers under the chin; is of very dark brown color; eyes rather prominent, and smiling countenance. He is first-bitten, and when last seen was barefooted, and dressed in a light colored coat; is armed with a long rifled pistol, with the cock under the barrel.

The citizens of Henderson and Henderson county have also offered a reward of Three Hundred Dollars for his apprehension.
April 15, 1861-watw3m.

GOOD NEWS.
The Union is Safe.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform the traveler, and public generally, that he has leased the FRANKLIN HOUSE, at the end of the bridge, in South Frankfort, and is prepared to entertain, in the best manner, all who may choose to favor him with a call. Also, elegant rooms for boarders, to those who may wish to sojourn in the Capital for a time—all at rates suited to the times.
ap8 wtfw. J. V. B. VANARSDALE.

MOSELEY'S
TUBULAR WROUGHT IRON

ARCH BRIDGES
AND CORRUGATED IRON ROOFS.
(ARCHED AND FLAT.)

ARE cheap as wood, and our manufactory is capable of supply and demand. Corrugated Iron Sheets constantly on hand of all sizes, painted and ready for shipment, with full instructions for applying them.

Send orders at No. 66 West Third Street, Cincinnati.
MOSELEY & CO.
April 2, 1860-ly.

WANTED.
2,000 POUNDS LIVE GESE FEATHERS, for which Furniture will be exchanged at each price.

Dividend Notice.
FARMERS BANK OF KENTUCKY,
Frankfort, Jan. 7, 1861.

A DIVIDEND of five per cent. on the capital stock of this Bank, payable out of the profits of the last six months, was this day ordered by the Board of Directors to be paid to the stockholders on demand.

J. B. TEMPLE, Cashier.
January 8, 1860-watwtf.

NOTICE.
ALL those indebted me, either by note or account, are notified to be ready to pay when called on, or they will have to pay costs. I owe money and must have money to pay with.
R. S. STEPHENS.

Artesian Well Water.
A SUPPLY always on hand at
SAMUEL'S BARBER SHOP.
April 1860.

CHOICE FLOWER SEEDS BY MAIL.

POSTAGE PAID, BY
A. BORNEMAN,
VERSAILLES, WOODFORD COUNTY, KY.

COLLECTIONS OF IMPORTED FLOWER SEEDS.

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THE COMMONWEALTH.

KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

IN SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 1861.

The Senate opened with prayer by Rev. JAMES M. LANCASTER, of the Catholic Church.

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

A MESSAGE FROM THE H. R. Was received by the Assistant Clerk, announcing the passage of a resolution fixing a day for final adjournment of the Legislature; also, the passage of a bill which originated in the H. R. in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. BAIRD—Education—A bill for the benefit of school district, No. 10, in McLean county, rejected.

Same—A H. R. bill to amend the charter of the Southern College of Kentucky: passed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 10 MINUTES PAST 10.

A bill to amend the Registration laws was taken up, read a third time, and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Mr. Speaker, (Porter.) Messrs. Alexander, Anthony, Andrews, Barker, Bales, Beamer, Chambers, Cresswell, Barnard, Davidson, DeHaven, Gibson, Hillis, Glenn, Grover, Grundy, Irwin, Marshall, McFarley, Pratt, Read, Ross, Simpson, Taylor, Wait, Whitaker, Whitaker, 28.

NAYES—Messrs. Cosby, Denney, Fisk, Hays, Hays, Jenkins, Johnson, Pennebaker, Rhea, Rousseau, Walton, 10.

A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor, by Mr. MONTGOMERY, Secretary of State, in response to the resolutions of the Senate. [We will publish the message in full when we can get a copy, unless it is in substance the same as those given to the H. R. results in some days since.]

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES RESUMED.

Mr. DARNLEY—Penitentiary—A H. R. bill for the benefit of the Commissioners of the Penitentiary.

Mr. READ moved to recommitt the bill with instructions to ascertain and fix in the bill the amount of compensation to be paid: carried.

Mr. WALKER—Codes of Practice—A bill for the benefit of H. D. Rothwick, late sheriff of Muhlenburg county: passed.

Mr. SIMPSON—Select Committee—A bill to change the time of the meeting of the next General Assembly. [Fixes time on 1st Monday in September, 1861.]

Mr. CISELL opposed the bill briefly.

Mr. SIMPSON replied to Mr. CISELL, and advocated the bill.

Mr. CISELL replied to Mr. SIMPSON, and again opposed the bill.

Mr. RUST opposed the bill briefly.

Mr. GROVER also opposed the bill.

Mr. CISELL replied to the last remarks of Mr. SIMPSON, and opposed the bill.

Mr. ANDREWS advocated the bill at some length.

Mr. GLENN moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HAYCRAFT opposed the reference briefly.

The motion to refer was then rejected.

Mr. GRUNDY moved to amend the bill by striking out the 1st Monday in September, and insert the 1st Monday in November.

Mr. CISELL proposed the 1st Monday in December.

Mr. BOLES moved that the bill and amendments be laid on the table: negatived—yeas, 18; nays, 19.

Mr. WHITAKER advocated the bill at some length.

Before any vote was taken, the hour arrived for the

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A H. R. resolution fixing a day for the final adjournment of the General Assembly was laid over.

The rules were suspended, and the message of the Governor, in response to Senate resolutions, was ordered to be printed.

ENROLLMENTS.

Mr. GILLIS reported a bill to amend the charter of Louisville, correctly enrolled: it was signed by the SPEAKER, and sent to the Governor for his approval and signature.

ORDERS RESUMED.

A H. R. bill to authorize the Harrison county court to purchase arms and munitions of war. [Allows \$20,000 to be borrowed by the county court to buy muskets, cannon, ammunition, &c. &c.]

Mr. SIMPSON offered a substitute for the bill. [This bill provides for purchasing arms for the militia of the State.]

The bill and amendment were ordered to be printed, and made the special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow.

A H. R. bill to prevent the destruction of fish in Dix's river and Hanging Fork: ordered to a third reading, and the Senate referred to a special committee on the subject, and the bill lies over.

A H. R. bill to amend the charter of the town of Danville: passed.

A H. R. bill to change a voting place in Lewis county: passed.

A H. R. bill to amend the charter of the town of Gallatin: referred to the Judiciary committee.

A H. R. bill to amend the charter of the State Female Institute: passed.

A H. R. bill giving the Pendleton county court jurisdiction over State roads: referred to the committee on Revised Statutes.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 1861.

Prayer by the Rev. JOHN N. NORRIS, of the Episcopal Church.

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

INSPECTOR GENERAL.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the response of the Inspector General to a resolution of the House, requesting him to lay before the House his estimate for arming the State: referred to committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed. [Records an appropriation of not less than \$5,000,000.]

BILLS PRESENTED.

Mr. J. W. COOK—A bill for the benefit of M. W. Balloway, late sheriff of Graves county.

Mr. LEACH moved to make the provisions of the bill apply to C. M. Hampton, late sheriff of Henry county; Richard Spalding, late sheriff of Union county; and John W. Hawes, late sheriff of Lawrence county: referred to the committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to report, at fifteen minutes past 10 o'clock to-morrow, a bill applicable to all the sheriffs in the State.

Mr. H. L. SMITH—A bill for the benefit of M. M. Skik, of Hopkins county: referred to Judiciary committee.

Mr. TYE—A bill to change the line of the Williamsburg magistracy and election district in Whitley county: passed.

Mr. DOWNING—A bill to change the place of voting in a district in Monroe county, and to change the line of said district: passed.

Mr. WOLFE—A bill to incorporate the Louisville, Pittsburg, St. Louis, Nashville and Tennessee river pilots association: passed.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The House then took up the bill from the Senate to legalize the suspension of specie payments by the banks.

The bill was read a second time.

Mr. LEACH moved to strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following, viz:

"That it shall be lawful for the several banks in this Commonwealth, authorized by law to issue bank notes, and their branches, to refuse to pay gold or silver in redemption of their notes, for any days after the demand therefor: *Provided*, however, That when such bank notes, on which gold or silver is demanded, shall be deposited in the bank or branch bank where the same is payable, interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on the amount thus deposited shall be paid in gold or silver, together with the amount so deposited, at the expiration of the forty days aforesaid."

2. When a demand and deposit shall be made, as provided in the first section of this act, it shall be the duty of the cashier or other officer of such bank, charged with the duty of receiving and paying out money, to give to the person so demanding and depositing the bank notes of such bank, a certificate, showing the amount deposited, and the date of the demand.

3. This act shall take effect from its passage, and remain in force two years thereafter.

The question being taken, the amendment was rejected—yeas, 27; nays, 65.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time to-morrow at five minutes past 11 o'clock.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

A message was received from the Governor, by Mr. MONTGOMERY, Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Quartermaster General; also, the proceedings of a meeting in Grant county.

BILLS REPORTED.

Mr. ABELL—Claims—A bill for the benefit of D. A. Housman, of Graves county: passed.

Mr. McELROY—Judiciary—A bill to suspend all laws prohibiting the carrying of knives and pistols concealed. [Suspended until the 1st day of January, 1862.]

Mr. TYE moved to lay the bill on the table: adopted—yeas, 28; nays, 58.

Mr. UNDERWOOD—Military Affairs—reported a bill, under instructions of the House, more fully to provide for the military defense of the State.

The bill provides for the purchase of muskets, rifles, &c., at a cost of one million three hundred thousand dollars; for the purchase of ammunition, one hundred and sixty thousand dollars; for training and instructing, six hundred thousand dollars; the Governor, Inspector General, and Samuel Gill, constituted a board of commissioners to purchase and distribute the arms and ammunition, to receive a compensation of \$5 per day, and necessary expenses while actually engaged; all able-bodied male citizens from forty to fifty years of age, and all over fifty who may choose to join, to constitute a home guard. The remainder of the bill, which is quite lengthy, provides for the establishment and arming of a home guard, and will be published in full when it shall become a law.

Mr. MACHEN offered an amendment as a substitute for the original bill and substitute offered by Mr. UNDERWOOD.

[Appropriates \$1,300,000 for purchase of arms and accoutrements; \$600,000 for instruction and training; and \$100,000 for ammunition; appoints the Governor, Inspector General, and Chief Engineer to constitute a military board for the purchase of arms and ammunition, and disbursing the same; all white males over 45, and between 15 and 18 to constitute a home guard; to have the same organization as the State Guard.]

Several other amendments were offered, when the whole subject was postponed, and made the special order for 12 o'clock to-morrow.

A motion to adjourn was rejected—yeas, 44; nays, 51.

Mr. EWING moved that all the amendments be printed: adopted.

And then the House adjourned.

The Wicked Waste of War.

The disbursements of a belligerent government, drawn of course by taxation from the laboring community, form an incalculable amount. Our last war with England cost us more than a hundred millions of dollars per annum. During the last 175 years, England has had twenty-four wars with France, twelve with Scotland, eight with Spain, and two with America, besides all her other wars with India and elsewhere. These cost her government, according to official returns, three thousand millions of pounds sterling or fifteen thousand millions of dollars! The war which ended at Waterloo, cost France 2,700,000,000, and Austria 2,300,000,000, or five thousand millions of dollars! How much it cost Spain, Sweden, Holland, Germany, Prussia and Russia, I have no means of knowing, but at least an equal sum. Thus one long war cost Europe at least forty thousand millions of dollars, enough almost to banish suffering poverty from Europe! For all this, nothing has been gained. Nay, the spending of thus has produced an aggregate of crime and poverty, pain and lamentation more than without war, would have come upon the whole human family! Who then can begin to compute the cost of all the wars even in Europe alone?

We often hear much railing against useless expenditure, and proposals for economy in dress, furniture, &c., and it is well. But those who insist on these modes of frugality and the like, should be consistent. Let them remember that all the retrenchments they recommend are but as the dust of the balance as compared to the expenditure of war. But vast as are the expenses of belligerent governments, they do not constitute the tenth of the true expenses of war. We must reckon on the destruction of property, private and public—the ruin of trade and commerce—the suspension of manufactures—the loss of the productive labor of soldiers and camp followers. But who can reckon such amounts?

Further, let it be considered that all these items must be doubled and trembled in cases of civil wars, and that such form a large part of the catalogue.

Further still, war causes the great bulk of taxation even in time of peace. Witness the annual appropriations for fleets and standing armies, forts, arsenals, weapons, pensions, and the like. Ever since our last war with England, we have been paying annually, for the above objects, about ten times as much as for the support of our civil Government! "The war spirit" is taxing our people to the amount of unnumbered millions now in times of profound peace. A single 74 gun ship, besides all her cost of construction and equipment, cost her in time of peace, while aloat,

\$200,000 per annum—eight times the salary of the President of the United States. Now by all the taxes paid by civilized nations, go to some extent or other to the support of war! All the British debt which is grinding her people into the dust, was created by war. The cost of the wars of Europe alone, in only the last century, would have built all the churches, and established all the schools, colleges, and hospitals, wanted on the whole globe!

TELEGRAPHIC.

WHEELING, May 14.

Convention assembled at 11 o'clock: larger attendance than yesterday.

Prayer by Rev. John Smith, Journal read. After some corrections, among which was striking out Frederick county, the chairman announced the business before the Convention was the report of the committee on State and Federal Relations. Mr. Wylie, of Monmouth, rising to a question of privilege, said he had been misunderstood as favoring the postponement of action until the ordinance of secession had been voted on, and differed with Carlisle, who favors immediate action as to the course to be pursued. The committee not being ready to report.

Gen. Jackson, of Wood, moved an adjournment till 2 o'clock, but withdrew to enable Col. Wheat, of Ohio county, to present resolutions expressive of the sense of the Convention, which he said he did on his own responsibility, to be referred to the committee on State and Federal Relations, condemning the action of the State Convention, referring particularly to the ordinance of secession and the schedule attached to ordinance of transfer of the State to the Southern Confederacy.

Was followed by resolution of Mr. Carlisle, instructing the committee on State and Federal Relations to report an ordinance declaring the connection of the counties comprising the 10th and 11th Congressional Districts, including the county of Wayne, dissolved. Also to report declaring the independence with the Constitution of a new State, to be called New Virginia.

Col. Wheat objected, on the ground of forestalling the action of the committee and the Convention. All debate on such resolutions was prohibited. Debate ensued between Carlisle, Wylie, Jackson, and Wheat. Finally modified so as to require the committee to report upon the expediency of such ordinance, and carried. A resolution was then adopted referring all suggestions tending to action to the Committee on State and Federal Relations without debate or explanation. Gen. Jackson moved to adjourn until 2 o'clock.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., May 14.

In Congress Mr. Aldrich, of Texas, offered a resolution inquiring into the expediency of making Houston a port of entry and delivery.

Mr. Clingman presented resolutions of the House of Commons of North Carolina, declaring that State in an independent position and in opposition to Lincoln's government.

Thomas R. Cobb offered a resolution, which was unanimously adopted, requesting the President to issue a proclamation appointing a day of fasting and prayer. In obedience of which, all shall be united to join who recognize our independence.

The flag of the Confederate States which waved over Fort Moultrie during the bombardment of Fort Sumpter, now hangs at full length in the rear of President Cobb's chair.

NEW YORK, May 14.

Another regiment of New York Zouaves are now enrolled, and are now fully equipped, and ready for service. Also another regiment from Boston is ready to march at an hour's notice. A Washington dispatch states the President and suite took a tour of inspection down the Potomac yesterday.

The Times' Washington dispatch says: "There are now within this city, or within sight of the capital, about 51,000 men."

Gen. Butler dined in Baltimore to-day. No attempts were made to annoy him, and every courtesy was extended, both to him and his staff.

The 69th regiment has been accepted to serve during the war.

WASHINGTON, May 14.

A special dispatch to the Post says no change will be made in the command of the fleet off Pensacola.

It is regarded as not improbable that Federal forces will march from Wheeling to Martinsburg, Va., and take Harper's Ferry in the rear.

A special dispatch to the Express says orders have gone from the War Department directing Gen. Wool to assume the command of Fortress Monroe.

The Providence banks will take \$300,000 of a loan next week.

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.

Robert son of Ex-President Tyler, resigned his office in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and has left this city.

Meeting in Rockcastle County.

At a large and interesting assembling of the citizens of Rockcastle county, held in M. Vernon, on the 11th inst., P. G. Williams, Esq., was called to the chair, and W. Carson appointed Secretary.

The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, viz:

WHEREAS, The Governor has called an extra session of the Legislature, (which is now in session,) and, in view of the present condition of affairs, and in view of the position that Kentucky occupies, we the people of Rockcastle county, in meeting assembled, do hereby proclaim our views and sentiments in regard to the critical condition of our common country.

1st. Resolved, That we are opposed to secession, or to any act, by our Legislature, tending in that direction, believing that Kentucky has all to lose and nothing to gain by secession.

2d. That we have never, as yet, been able to point to a single instance where we have been deprived of any of our rights by the Government, and, until such thing happens, we pledge fidelity to the Constitution and flag of the country.

3d. That we strenuously oppose the passage of any act by the Legislature, which has for its object the placing of the purse and sword in the hands of the Governor, and our Senator and Representative are hereby requested to vote against every such measure.

4th. That we look upon the arming of the State at this time as being an unnecessary burden of tax upon the people, who are already borne down with the pressure of the times.

5th. That the principle of coercion is right, but that we are opposed to Kentucky taking any part, at present, but, if fight she must, then we are for the enforcement of the laws, and know no other day than the stars and stripes.

6th. That the Louisville Journal and Frankfort Commonwealth publish the foregoing: R. G. WILLIAMS, Pres't. W. CARSON, Sec'y.

KEROSENE OIL, EXPLOSIVE—Two or three cases of the explosion of kerosene oil lamp are reported by northern papers. We find in one of our northern exchanges a notice of a report on this subject made by a chemist to a manufacturing company that contemplated using the oil in its factory. The report states the explosive character of some kerosene is due to an impurity or intentional management by the manufacturers of the oil. They will free it entirely of a volatile and explosive gas, that makes it burn more quickly and brightly, and which could be entirely extracted by careful and honest preparation. One of the samples of oil sent to him by the company to be tested was found to be explosive. He states that the explosive oil burns more sparingly and has a stronger color than the safe article; but that the best test is to place a small vial partly filled with the oil in water, warmed to about 100 degrees, and then apply a lighted match to the mouth of the vial; if the oil is explosive, that in the vial will ignite. Dealers should test their kerosene in this way.

A writer in the New York Tribune states that the explosive character of some of this oil is due to a trick of dealers; that they mix with it camphene and burning fluid, which sell at about half the price of kerosene, and thus endanger thousands of lives for gain.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Proclamation by the Governor.

WHEREAS, by the 23rd section of the 14th article of the 32d chapter of the Revised Statutes of Kentucky, it is provided that "should there be a called session of Congress between the expiration of any Congressional term and the meeting first Monday in August, the Governor may, by proclamation, published in three newspapers printed in this State, convene an election of representatives in Congress to be held at an earlier day, if there are thirty days between the date of publication and the day so assigned, by him." And whereas, the President of the United States has issued his proclamation convening Congress in extraordinary session on the 4th day of July next.

Now, therefore, I, HERBERT MAGOFFIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby order an election to be held in the several Congressional districts of the State for representatives in the Congress of the United States, in pursuance of the above recited act, on the TWENTH DAY OF JUNE, 1861; the mode of conducting the election and of making returns therefrom to be governed in all respects by the provisions of the laws of the Commonwealth in relation to elections.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my name, and caused the seal of the Commonwealth to be affixed. Done at Frankfort, this 14th day of May, A. D. 1861, and in the 66th year of the Commonwealth.

By the Governor, H. B. MAGOFFIN.

THOS. B. MONTGOMERY, Jr., Sec. of State.

An election will be held at the various places of voting in Franklin county, on Thursday, the 20th day of June, 1861, for the election of a Member of Congress for the 8th Congressional District, in accordance with the above proclamation.

The following are appointed officers of said election:

No. 1, Court House—Geo. W. Gwin and Nelson Alley, Judges; H. I. Todd, Sheriff; H. W. Barker, Clerk.

No. 2, State Warehouse—G. W. Lewis and Ben. Luckett, Judges; J. B. Graham, Sheriff; J. W. Tate, Clerk.

No. 3, Forks of Elkhorn—James Bratton and H. M. Bedford, Judges; H. B. Innis, Sheriff; Wm. Jett, Clerk.

No. 4, Peck's Mills—Wm. Morris and A. Quarles, Judges; Robert Church, Sheriff; E. T. Hayden, Clerk.

No. 5, Bridgeport—John Jenkins and Thos. Farmer, Judges; R. E. Collins, Sheriff; U. V. Williams, Clerk.

No. 6, Bald Knob—E. S. Bailey and Lloyd Backett, Judges; Miltm. Simons, Sheriff; Noel Lee, Clerk.

May 10, 1861—H. I. TODD, S. F. P.

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THESE MEDICINES have now been before the public for a period of thirty years, and during that time have maintained a high character for almost every part of the body, for their extraordinary and immediate power of restoring perfect health to persons suffering under nearly every kind of disease to which the human frame is liable.

The following are among the distressing varieties of human diseases in which the LIFE PILLS AND PHEONIX BITTERS are well known to be infallible.

Dyspepsia, by thoroughly cleansing the first and second stomachs, and creating a flow of pure, healthy bile, instead of the stale and sick kind; Flatulency, loss of appetite, heart burn, headache, nervousness, indigestion, anxiety, languor, and melancholy, which are the general symptoms of Dyspepsia, will vanish, as a natural consequence of its cure.

Catarrhes, by cleansing the whole length of the intestines with a solvent process, and without the use of any violent purges leave the bowels costive within two days.

Fever of all kinds, by restoring the blood to regular circulation, through the process of respiration in such cases, and the thorough solution of all intestinal obstructions in others.

RHEUMATISM, permanently in three weeks, and Gout in half that time, by removing local inflammation from the muscles and ligaments of the joints.

Dropsy of all kinds, by forcing and strengthening the kidneys and bladder, they are found to be the most important organs, and hence have ever been found a certain remedy for the worst cases of Dropsy.

Also Worms, by dislodging from the turnings of the bowels the slimy matter to which these creatures are attached, and which they are known to feed on.

Scurvy, Eczema, and Incurable Sores, by the perfect purity which these Life Medicines give to the blood, and all the humors.

Scurvy Eruptions, and Bad Complexions, by their alternative effect upon the fluids that feed the skin, and the morbid state of which occasions all eruptive complaints, scallow, cloudy, and other disagreeable complexions.

The use of these Pills for a very short time will effect an entire cure of Salt Rheum, and a striking improvement in the clearness of the skin. Common Pimples and Acne will always be cured by one dose, or by two in the worst cases.

Piles—The original proprietor of these Medicines was cured of Piles, of 25 years standing, by the use of the Life Medicines alone.

FEVER AND AGUE—For this scourge of the Western country, these medicines will be found a safe, speedy, and certain remedy. Other medicines leave the system subject to a return of the disease; a cure by these Medicines is permanent—try them, be satisfied, and be cured.

Bilious Fevers and Liver Complaints—General Debility, Loss of Appetite, and Diseases of Females—The Medicines have been used with the most beneficial results in cases of this description—King's Evil, and Scrofula, in its worst forms, yields to the mild yet powerful action of these Medicines. Night Sweats, Nervous Debility, Nervous Complaints of all kinds, Palpitation of the Heart, Painters' Colic, are speedily cured.

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McLEAN'S STRENGTHENING CORDIAL Will effectively cure Liver Complaints, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Chronic or Nervous Debility, Diseases of the Kidneys, and all Diseases arising from a Disordered Liver or Stomach, Dyspepsia, Heartburn, Indigestion, Aidity or Sourness of the Stomach, Fullness of Blood to the Head, Dull Pain or Swelling in the Head, Palpitation of the Heart, Fullness or Weight in the Stomach, Spasmodic Coughs or Suffocating Feeling when lying down, Dropsy or Yellowness of the Skin and Eyes, Night Sweats, Insular Fevers, Pain in the Small of the Back, Chest or Side, Sudden Flushes of Heat, Depression of Spirits, Frightful Dreams, Languor, Impediment, or any Nervous Disease, Sores or Blisters on the Skin, and Fever and Ague, (or Chills and Fever).

Have been sold during the last six months, and in no instance has it failed in giving entire satisfaction. Who, then, will suffer from Weakness or Debility when McLean's Strengthening Cordial is used? No language can convey an adequate idea of the immediate and almost miraculous change produced by taking this Cordial in the diseased, debilitated, and shattered nervous system, whether broken down by excess, weak by nature, or impaired by sickness, the relaxed and unstrung organization is restored to its pristine health and vigor.

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There is NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT. Suffer no longer. Take it according to Directions. It will stimulate, strengthen, and invigorate you and cause the bloom of health to mount your cheek again. Every bottle is warranted to give satisfaction.

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THE COMMONWEALTH.

FRANKFORT.

J. H. JOHNSON, Editor.

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1861.

DAILY SESSION COMMONWEALTH.

TERMS—FIFTY CENTS PER MONTH. If any person should pay for a longer time than the session continues, the *Tri-weekly Commonwealth* will be sent long enough to make it up.

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"THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE."—In the Senate yesterday, Judge Simpson, from a select committee, reported a bill to change the time of the meeting of the General Assembly to the first Monday in September. The secessionists in the Senate opposed it with the utmost bitterness and vehemence. All sorts of timely objections were raised against, and, as no sound reason against its passage could be urged, resort was had to parliamentary tactics to delay its passage. It was finally referred.

The men who oppose this bill are the very ones who have been, and still are so clamorous for a sovereignty convention. They want to hear from the people. Now, when a mode is presented them, by which they can ascertain the wish of the voters of this State in a short time, they object, and fight against it, as they fight against every measure looking to the peace and quiet of Kentucky, and her continuance in the Union. The representatives will be elected upon the only issue now before the country. Through them the people can speak in a direct and in a constitutional manner. What is the objection to this, Messrs. Secessionists? Do you dread the verdict of the people? You had better.

MISSOURI MILITARY BILL.—The Legislature of Missouri has passed the Military Bill, which subjects every able bodied man in the State to military duty, under a penalty of a fine of \$150, and provides for the organization of the Missouri State Guard, of men enlisted for the term of seven years. It puts all the military under the sole control of the Governor, compels the enlisted men to take an oath to obey him alone, and makes it treason for an enlisted man to speak disrespectfully of the Governor or Legislature, the offender to be tried by court martial. This penalty of \$150 can, of course, be met by the wealthy or well-to-do, while the poor devil who has neither means nor friends, no matter whether he has a family dependent upon him or not, will have to let all holds loose and join the "grand army." Huzzah for Secession!

COL. THOMAS BUFORD.—We learn that it is the desire of many of the Union men of Woodford county, that Col. Thomas Buford should represent that county in our next Legislature. We are not advised of the views of Col. B. on this question, but most unhesitatingly say that no better man could be selected.

We understand that the present able representative of that county, J. K. Goodloe, Esq., positively declines a re-election. Woodford is a staunch Union county, and will send a firm, standing-up, Union representative. We shall need back bone in our next Legislature. Give us solid men, and keep your mere politicians for future use.

CAPT. L. H. ROBERTS.—In our brief notice of this gentleman yesterday, our printers made us say "elegant," when we intended to say *elegant*. It was not exactly a misprint, (we have the authority of a lady friend of ours for saying it,) but it was not what we intended to say. The Captain intends to make the race upon his muscle and patriotism, and not upon his human beauty.

By-the-by, we should also have stated that the Captain is a candidate, subject to the decision of a Convention of the Union party of the 7th Congressional district.

HORSES FOR THE SOUTH.—Fifteen horses arrived in Covington, Ky., on Monday, from Cincinnati, by the Covington ferryboat, and were immediately taken to the Kentucky Central railroad depot, where they were forwarded to Lexington on their way South. The transaction soon got wind, and a squad of detectives appeared on the Cincinnati landing and arrested the men engaged in the affair; at the same time they took possession of several other horses about to accompany their predecessors South.

We call attention to the letter from Fleming county. What's up? It may be that the early meeting of the next Legislature would interfere with the proposed Convention for taking us out. Who knows. Before this Legislature adjourns, it had better open its eyes to the actions of those who are plotting treason in our midst.

Senator Whitaker administered a scathing rebuke yesterday to those Senators who are for a State Convention, but who are so much opposed to an early meeting of our next Legislature. He showed up their inconsistency in a very graphic manner. During his speech, those who desire to "secede," were very much interested in newspapers.

For the Frankfort Commonwealth.

A Voice from the Country.

Mr. Editor.—Is it possible that our worthy Governor, or any considerable portion of our Legislature, can have it seriously in contemplation to involve the good people of Kentucky in debt to the amount of millions of dollars, in addition to the present debt of the State? Have our temporary rulers resolved to ruin our honored old Commonwealth by placing her in an attitude of war, and forcing us into hostilities with our brethren and neighbors on the other side of the Ohio river?

Forbid it, Heaven! Does not much of our own blood run in the veins of their people? Are not our interests and their interests identical, "one and inseparable, now and forever?"

We have no quarrel with them. Neither have they any quarrel with us. We neither thirst for their blood, nor do they thirst for ours. "Union and peace" is their motto and ours! Why then shall our Legislature even talk about heaping upon us a burden of debt which our children's children may not be able to pay? Have not fully four-fifths and more of the whole of our voting people proclaimed in unmistakable terms within the last ten days their heart-felt desire for *Union and peace*?

Why then should our Governor talk about calling a Convention, in an unconstitutional manner, to decide, under great excitement, a question which they have so lately and deliberately decided in a constitutional manner? This unnatural and unholy war between our northern and our southern brethren, like everything else, must have an end, and the sooner the better for all concerned. And while Kentucky takes no part in the war, she will be safe from attacks on either side; and may, as a mediator, exert a mighty influence in bringing about a reconciliation, and restoring the blessings of peace and harmony to our great and hitherto prosperous and happy country.

I beg that you will entreat, beseech, and implore, the representatives of Kentucky to take no action that could, by possibility, have the effect to change our present position of Union and peace for that of civil war, with all its attendant calamities and horrors! May God, in mercy, banish from the hearts of our rulers all selfish and impure motives; and fill them with wisdom, prudence and true patriotism in this our time of trial.

A NATIVE KENTUCKIAN.

HORRIBLE—IF TRUE!

Oh! Don't, Mr. Duncan, Don't!!!

It is with feelings that words are inadequate to describe, that we lay before our readers the following from the Evening Bulletin, of yesterday:

New York, May 15.

It is said great discontent prevails among the military mob at Harper's Ferry. A serious and bloody war occurred a day or two since, in which one or more of the Kentucky volunteers of Blanton Duncan's squad were killed and others wounded; and following this was a threat from Duncan to disband his squad and return home.

Great Duncan! Good Duncan! Colonel Duncan! please don't dishband thy squad.

"Take any shape but that, And our firm nerves shall never falter."

DR. ABELL.—We understand that it is the desire of the Union men of the counties of Mercer, Boyle, and Jessamine, that Dr. Abell should make the race for the Senate. We sincerely hope the Doctor will acquiesce in the desire of "his people." He has been a faithful and an able public servant. The people of his Senatorial District may safely entrust their interests in his hands.

UNION VOTE OF KENTUCKY.—The official vote from 89 counties has been received at the office of the Secretary of State for the Delegates to the Border State Convention. The Union vote, in those counties, footed up 98,561. The aggregate vote for all the candidates for President in November last was 146,216.

We learn that W. C. Grier, Esq., has been nominated for the State Senate by the Union men of Carter, Lawrence, Boyd and Greenup counties. Mr. Grier is a man of talent, a firm, unyielding Union man, and will make a good representative of the loyal people of his district.

S. J. ENGLAND, Esq.—We are glad to announce that this staunch and true Union man has been nominated by the Union men of the counties of Carter and Rowan, for their representative in the next Legislature. No better selection could have been made.

The Hon. John Young Brown is a candidate for re-election for Congress in the 5th district. He is a thorough Union man, and will probably have no opposition. He commences the canvass at Harrodsburg on Saturday next.

We had the pleasure yesterday of meeting James G. George, the talented editor of the Richmond Messenger. He is doing good service for the Union, and the Messenger, under his control, has been one of the best papers in the State.

We are daily indebted to Mr. Rose, Express Messenger on the Louisville and Lexington railroad, and to Tom Hally, omnibus agent on the same road, for New Orleans, Memphis and Cincinnati papers.

NEW ORLEANS BANKS.—The Louisville Journal learns that a dispatch was received in that city, on Sunday, to the effect that the New Orleans banks suspended specie payment on Saturday.

In Gen. Beauregard's official account of the bombardment of Fort Sumpter, we find the statement that there were four persons wounded, but none killed.

Letter from Fleming County.

Hillsboro, May 14, 1861.

Editor Commonwealth:

The country is now looking with intense interest at the doings of our Legislature. Nor is this at all strange, when we reflect that weightier responsibilities have never rested upon the General Assembly. Kentucky, glorious old Kentucky, the home of the bravest of the brave, still holds on to the old stars and stripes, notwithstanding the ruinous defection with which her southern sisters is afflicted. May she still stand, even though every slave State leave the Union; at least, let her prove loyal to the Constitution until her rights are infringed.

Her own peace, and her interests, call loudly for a position of *neutrality*; and it may be safe in a position of *armed neutrality*, provided the management of the arms is confided to *lovers of the Union*—not otherwise surely. Better, far better, that Kentucky remain unarmed, than arm and place her at the mercy of her Secessionists, whether they be in *high* or *low* position. This is no time to be too modest. The State having just declared for the Union, it would be an act of faithlessness, and breach of sacred trust on the part of her Legislature, to place her arms in the hands of those who are anxious to turn them against her dearest interests. This must not be.

Backed up by a powerful popular vote, the Legislature should feel fully authorized not to pass any act for a Convention, and also to refuse to submit any question of Union or Disunion to be voted upon. The State wants to be loyal. Why shall we continue to agitate? We have had enough of it, and the sentiment of Kentucky is known to be for peace. Let it go forth, therefore, from Frankfort that Kentucky, having protested from the start against this horrible fratricidal war, will have no hand in it. And if demagogues will persist in their wickedness, and the land shall be drenched with the blood of its own citizens, if war and general ruin must ensue, let my native State stand aloof from the unholy struggle; and, as the destroying angel is smiting the first born of Egypt, passed over the land of Goshen, restraining the withering hand of death, so, when the blaze of lurid war shall fill our doomed country with carnage and mourning, let Kentucky be a spot still sacred to peace; let her stand forth a monument of wisdom, loyalty, and prudence. Is it possible that even now there are men at Frankfort representing a strong Union constituency who are blind to the right of instruction? Can such persons really be found willing, in this our country's hour of trial, to betray her into the hands of secession? Let them be careful how they outrage the rights of their people. Our section is strongly Union. I rejoice to say.

Continue to battle on as you have, Mr. Editor, in the good cause, and may our people persevere in the right. Yours, &c., FLEMING.

We find the following letter in the Cincinnati Commercial, of yesterday:

Letter from a Kentuckian.

FLEMINGSBURG, Ky., May 13, 1861.

EDS. COM.—The Union members of the Kentucky Legislature—the reliable yeomanry—business men, and taxpayers should know what is now *seriously* attempted by the Secessionists in Kentucky, viz: That they are arranging for a *Secret Convention*, of force, to meet soon at Lexington, Kentucky, and there fill out by *literal* copy a bill of sale similar to those of Governors Letcher and Harris for Virginia and Tennessee, for Kentuckyans—their birthrights, constitutional rights and guarantees of protection under it, and of our sister States of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, and their powerful immediate allies, Pennsylvania, New York, Michigan, and Wisconsin; and all they give for arming the State with that *personal* covenant only of indemnity, that "the State expenses and all damages for blood and treasure, desolation, fire, famine, horror, &c., to be paid by the Confederate States." People of Kentucky, will you submit to it? Will you vote either to arm the State, as pretended, or will you pay it? No sheriff will ever be permitted to collect or pay it over. Governor Magoffin deceived the people of Kentucky when he induced them to elect him over that patriot, Joshua E. Bell, who is true in fact to his State and the Union; and he further deceived them by that *subtle* letter purporting to be from his pen and heart to Mr. Major, on the 16th November, 1860—the only sensible document that has emanated from that functionary since he has been aspiring for office and preterment in the filibustering Confederacy of Jeff. Davis & Co. We say, do not submit to any law for arming the State: any such appropriation is decidedly, in fact, unconstitutional in Kentucky. Under the 35th and 36th sections of article 11, of the present Constitution of Kentucky, they prohibit any such appropriation, and "it taking effect until it shall have been submitted to the people at general election, and shall have received a majority of all the votes cast for and against it."

And no necessity in fact exists for any exception to this provision, within its exception when taken in connection with the Constitution of the United States—her sovereignty, duty, and ability. Nothing is needed legitimately for *repelling* invasion or *suppressing* insurrection. Nor are hostilities threatened; but, on the contrary, the President has assured Mr. Underwood and Mr. Davis that, if we remain *neutral*, "No hostile foot shall tread our soil," and our sister border States also, all guarantee the same. While the United States is not only our protector, but that Constitution, Union, and the enforcement of the laws to which we owe a faithful allegiance, is not only willing, but able, to shield and protect us, and to foot the bill of costs out of her general receipts from imports and public lands, of which she holds the keys—indeed, of all these United States, and has the credit to carry the debt until paid. While, for Kentucky to even vote a sum to arm the State, (in the face of our neutral pretensions—which is inconsistent in itself even.) is starting and inaugurating *direct* taxes (with a vengeance,) and to no purpose, but to arm the arch traitor at our head—the Kentucky Cattle—to furnish the proceeds to the Southern Confederacy, to be used against the existing sovereign will of the people of Kentucky—the grand majority of whom are for the preservation of this Union, crushing out rebellion and revo-

lution, beholding Magoffin, seeing that the U. S. District Attorney Harlan duly indicted Blanton Duncan, Se. De Kay, and all traitors, and all other violators of the law, and that as each House of Representatives is the sole judge of the qualification of its own members, that the U. S. Senate will duly duplicate Wigfall's certificate for J. C. Breckinridge, and return him. He is misrepresenting the people who placed him in his present position. If any law be passed to appropriate money to arm the State, no contractor will ever be paid, for the next Legislature will be a *reliable* Union, constitutional one. Her courts are ditto, and will repudiate and annul the law, as unconstitutional, and if she secedes, she will be put past paying the bill, and so will the Southern Confederacy. It will save millions too, and it is the interest of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois to encourage our neutrality, and also to guarantee its immediate and prompt aid if the secessionists attempt to put us out of the Union. In fighting Secession with neutrality even, we are doing what Union men failed to do in Virginia and Tennessee, and are saving the Government millions of money.

A THINKER.

Official Vote of Kentucky.

Total Presidential Vote.	Union Vote.	Disunion Vote.
Adair.....	1107	1184
Allen.....	1140	1079
Anderson.....	1098	514
Ballard.....	1205	.....
Barnes.....	1831	.....
Bath.....	1715	.....
Bell.....	1849	.....
Benton.....	1755	930
Boyle.....	1083	855
Bracken.....	1753	1775
Breathitt.....	572	200
Breckinridge.....	1072	1182
Bullitt.....	993	971
Butler.....	945	1045
Buyl.....	812	895
Caldwell.....	1113	463
Callaway.....	1296	133
Campbell.....	2648	3033
Carr.....	1078	363
Carter.....	1074	899
Casey.....	927	1189
Christian.....	1834	1391
Clarke.....	1111	1046
Clay.....	806	575
Clemens.....	711	590
Crittenden.....	1251	844
Cumberland.....	863	1033
Daviess.....	2265	1231
Elmiston.....	516	.....
Estill.....	1020	990
Eysa.....	2572	1559
Fleming.....	1536	1239
Floyd.....	673	.....
Franklin.....	1734	842
Fulton.....	714	92
Gallatin.....	837	452
Garrard.....	1091	1207
Garrison.....	1493	1154
Graves.....	2025	.....
Grayson.....	1111	1155
Green.....	977	851
Greenup.....	1238	1400
Hancock.....	892	361
Hardin.....	2091	216
Harrison.....	2320	862
Hart.....	1440	1435
Henderson.....	1560	1064
Henry.....	1837	1213
Hopkins.....	1570	629
Huck.....	969	.....
Jackson.....	390	318
Jefferson.....	9562	9974
Jessamine.....	1202	829
Johnson.....	660	.....
Kenton.....	3556	3665
Knox.....	877	1037
Larue.....	880	1110
Laurel.....	773	587
Lawrence.....	958	.....
Letcher.....	373	289
Levy.....	1110	1542
Lincoln.....	1110	1020
Livingston.....	906	253
Logan.....	2004	998
Lyon.....	746	93
Madison.....	2093	1381
Marion.....	1660	1165
Marshall.....	1080	.....
Mason.....	2377	2209
McCracken.....	1242	.....
McLean.....	536	888
Meade.....	1122	553
Mercer.....	1926	1543
Meigs.....	1078	636
Monroe.....	963	1183
Morgan.....	965	.....
Muhlenburg.....	1353	1278
Magoffin.....	488	.....
Maguire.....	961	.....
Martin.....	1285	1220
Nichols.....	1705	1179
Nelson.....	1463	1765
Oldham.....	936	711
Owen.....	2242	.....
Owsley.....	700	610
Perry.....	1798	1357
Pettit.....	425	.....
Powell.....	319	.....
Pulaski.....	3096	1990
Pike.....	801	.....
Rockcastle.....	704	752
Rosen.....	353	.....
Russell.....	1775	798
Scott.....	1954	.....
Shelby.....	1998	1461
Simpson.....	915	.....
Spencer.....	732	602
Taylor.....	821	976
Tobin.....	1067	887
Trigg.....	1417	422
Trimble.....	924	502
Union.....	1574	676
Warren.....	1926	1901
Washington.....	1219	1659
Wayne.....	1210	671
Whitley.....	838	915
Woodford.....	1196	.....
Wolfe.....	461	216
Webster.....	957	504
Total.....	116210	90000

We have been requested by Mr. Crittenden to say to the people of this Congressional District, that whilst he is deeply sensible of the many kind and urgent solicitations made to him from various parts of the District, and will always cherish a grateful remembrance of them, still that he is unwilling to be considered as a candidate for Congress at the ensuing election.

MARRIED.

On the 6th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, Dr. H. H. Stratton, by Elder B. T. Quinn, Mr. RICHARD H. PARRETT, and Miss MAGGIE A. STRATTON, all of this county.

Proposals for Prison Burying Ground.

SEALED proposals will be received at the Governor's Office until the 25th of the present month for one acre of ground, suitable for a grave-yard, inclosed with a good, strong post-and-rail fence, with good, strong gate, with lock, &c. The lot must be in or near the city, accessible, free from stone near the surface, &c. Bids may also be offered for same quantity of ground inclosed with stone fence. By order of the Board.

May 16, 1861—td. H. RODMAN, Sec'y.

Pay your Taxes and Save Ten per Cent!

THE Tax Book for the present year is now in the hands of John Baltzell, City Treasurer, to whom payments may be made, with a deduction of ten per cent., if made on or before the 25th day of June next.

By order of the Board. JAS. W. BATCHELOR, City Clerk.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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TO CONSUMPTIVES AND THOSE AFFLICTED WITH

DYSPEPSIA, NERVOUS DEBILITY, HEART DISEASE,

FEVER AND AGUE, OR CONSTIPATION.—The undersigned, now seventy-five years old, has for years

devoted his time to curing his Parishioners and the poor in New York of these dreadful complaints,

which carry thousands and thousands to an untimely grave; he has seldom failed to cure all who

have applied to him for relief, and believing it to be a Christian's duty to relieve those abroad, as well as at home, he will send to those who require

it, a Copy of Prescriptions used, (free of charge), with directions for preparing and using the same.

Abstinence on Diet, Bathing, Ventilation, and Exercise for the Sick; they will find these remedies,

